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FRG AMBASSADOR FROEWIS HAS SENT THE FOLLOWING REPORT
FROM KAMPALA ON THE LATEST EXAMPLE OF LIMITS ON
RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IN UGANDA.

BEGIN TEXT:

PASTOR JUSHUA KAMYA OF THE "FULL GOSPEL CHURCH," BANNED
IN OCTOBER LAST YEAR, CLAIMED TO HAVE RECEIVED
PERMISSION FROM PRESIDENT AMIN TO START AGAIN UNDER
THE NAME OF "GLAD TIDINGS OF UGANDA."

HOWEVER, THE FIRST MEETING OF THE GROUP ON APRIL 12
WAS BROKEN UP BY THE MILITARY POLICE. APPROXIMATELY
80 PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED.

A SPOKESMAN OF THE DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS IN
THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT CLARIFIED THAT THE SO-CALLED
"GLAD TIDINGS OF UGANDA" IS CONSIDERED AN UNLAWFUL
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SOCIETY. HE CONFIRMED THAT THE GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZES
ONLY 4 RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS: THE PROTESTANTS,
THE ROMAN CATHOLICS, THE ORTHODOX AND THE MUSLIMS.
END TEXT.
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